

The Kentucky Inter-Alumni Council An Overview

The Organization:

The Kentucky Inter-Alumni Council (IAC) is a group of alumni leaders from the state's colleges and universities that seeks to promote and advance Kentucky's postsecondary education system with key decision makers by informing them of the essential economic and social impact these colleges and universities have on the Commonwealth of Kentucky.

The Strategy:

A key goal of the Inter-Alumni Council is to advance the cause of postsecondary education not only through direct communications with elected officials, but through the cultivation of a grassroots network of alumni and friends that can help carry the message to a broader audience. IAC members are kept informed of policy issues important to postsecondary education and are asked to share this message with their campus alumni associations and community organizations to help build a broad network of advocates for postsecondary education.

The Message:

IAC members will receive regular communication regarding issues and actions that impact postsecondary education throughout the year, but particularly leading up to and during legislative sessions. Briefing and strategy sessions are held at least semi-annually. Calls to action may be issued during a legislative session should issues arise that require the immediate attention of campus alumni networks or elected officials.

The Commitment:

Members of the IAC participate in two to three meetings a year to discuss key postsecondary issues, plan an annual postsecondary legislative event, develop advocacy strategies, and debrief after the legislative session ends. IAC members are asked to help communicate the interests and issues of the postsecondary education system with key decision makers and with their grassroots networks throughout the year, but particularly during the legislative session. Members are asked to stay informed about policy issues affecting postsecondary education in Kentucky, and are encouraged to engage community leaders in the cause of postsecondary education.

The Benefit:

Members of the Kentucky Inter-Alumni Council provide an important service to Kentucky's colleges and universities and the students they serve by volunteering their time, talent and influence to promote the goals of educational improvement and economic progress. A strong system of postsecondary education means a better educated population, improved personal incomes, greater capacity for economic development, and a stronger future for Kentucky.